

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

1-3. (CANCELLED)

4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A variable capacity rotary compressor, comprising:

a rotating shaft to rotate in a forward direction and a reverse direction to vary a compression capacity of the compressor;

a shaft bearing which supports the rotating shaft;

an oil guide groove which is spirally formed on at least one of the shaft bearing and the rotating shaft to supply oil; and

an oil storing chamber at an upper portion of the shaft bearing to communicate with the oil guide groove, and to store a predetermined amount of oil therein,

wherein the rotating shaft comprises:

an oil passage axially extending from a lower end to a predetermined position of the rotating shaft; and

an oil supply hole formed on the rotating shaft in a radial direction to allow the oil passage to communicate with the oil guide groove via the oil supply hole, to feed oil from the oil passage to the oil guide groove.

5. (ORIGINAL) The variable capacity rotary compressor according to claim 4, wherein the oil supply hole is plural in number and formed at positions corresponding to lower ends of the oil guide groove and the oil storing chamber.

6-12. (CANCELLED)

13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A variable capacity rotary compressor, comprising:

a rotating shaft to rotate in a forward direction and a reverse direction to vary a compression capacity of the compressor;

a shaft bearing which supports the rotating shaft;

an oil guide groove which is spirally formed on at least one of the shaft bearing and the rotating shaft to supply oil; and

an oil storing chamber at an upper portion of the shaft bearing to communicate with the oil guide groove, and to store a predetermined amount of oil therein,

wherein the rotating shaft comprises:

an oil passage axially extending from a lower end to a predetermined position of the rotating shaft;

an oil pickup member provided in the lower portion of the oil passage to feed the oil to the oil passage; and

an oil supply hole formed on the rotating shaft in a radial direction to allow the oil passage to communicate with the oil guide groove via the oil supply hole, thereby feeding oil from the oil passage to the oil guide groove.

14-18. (CANCELLED)

19. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A variable capacity rotary compressor, comprising:

a rotating shaft, having an outer cylindrical surface, which is rotated in a clockwise or a counter-clockwise direction;

a shaft bearing, having an inner cylindrical surface in contact with the outer cylindrical surface of the rotating shaft, which supports the rotating shaft in a substantially vertical position;

an oil guide groove which is spirally formed on at least one of the outer cylindrical surface of the rotating shaft and the inner cylindrical surface of the shaft bearing to supply oil to the contacting surfaces; and

an oil storing chamber at an upper portion of the shaft bearing to communicate with the oil guide groove, and to store oil therein,

wherein the rotating shaft comprises:

an oil passage axially extending from a lower end to a predetermined position of the rotating shaft;

an oil pickup member provided in the lower portion of the oil passage; and

an oil supply hole formed on the rotating shaft in a radial direction to allow the oil passage to communicate with the oil guide groove via the oil supply hole, thereby feeding oil from the oil passage to the oil guide groove.

20. (CANCELLED)